

Appl. No. 09/701,066
Amdt. dated Aug 11, 2004
Reply to Office action of Jun. 17, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

35 USC § 102(b)

Claims 53-58 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Snyder (U.S. Pat. No. 4,028,056). The Applicant disagrees at least in some respect. However, the *applicant deleted the rejected claims* to have the matter proceed to issuance as the present rejection was the only remaining rejection in this matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

The *Examiner allowed claims 32-50 and 52*. The applicant agrees and *claims 52-50 and 52 remain unchanged*.

The applicant believes that the present claim amendments are sufficient to overcome the Examiner's concerns and believes that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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